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## PROVISIONAL SPECIFICATION

### Hand Moistener, Shaped as a Fountain Pen for Damping Envelopes, Stamps and similar Gummed Labels

I, MIECZYSLAW MACIEJEWSKI, Polish Hostel, Stowell Park, near Cheltenham, Gloucester, do hereby declare the nature of this invention to be as follows:—

The object of the invention comprises an envelope moistener, having the form of a pen-holder, which permits the easy moistening of envelopes, postage stamps and similar gummed labels.

The moistener conforming with the invention is sketched in the accompanying drawing.

The moistener has a little movable vulcanite cylinder fixed on axle 2. In the lateral side of socket pipe 5 of the body there is an aperture 3 leading to the atmosphere and enclosed in this body there is inserted a deposit 4 of maritime sponge.

Into lower socket pipe 5 round its thick walls is screwed socket pipe 8 round its heavy walls containing tube 6 leading to

the water and connected with rubber tube 7. Against tube 7 there is inserted press 9 connected on the outside to spring 10 and ending at the bottom in a little plate by means of which rubber tube 7 is pressed.

One end of spring 10 is fixed to the press and the other end is tightened by nut 11.

For the purpose of the effective moistening of a gummed surface it is necessary to press press 9 lightly, and thereby the maritime sponge deposit becomes more and more moist with the water and in turn moistens the circular surface of little cylinder 1.

In order to remove the water from the moistener it is necessary to disconnect socket-pipes 5 and 8 by unscrewing and pressing press 9.

Dated the 16th day of June, 1948.

MIECZYSLAW MACIEJEWSKI.

## COMPLETE SPECIFICATION

### Hand Moistener, Shaped as a Fountain Pen for Damping Envelopes, Stamps and similar Gummed Labels

I, MIECZYSLAW MACIEJEWSKI, a Polish Citizen, of Polish Hostel, Stowell Park, near Cheltenham, Gloucester, do hereby declare the nature of this invention and in what manner the same is to be performed, to be particularly described and ascertained in and by the following statement:—

The object of the invention comprises a moistener, having the form of a pen-holder, which permits the easy moistening of envelopes, postage stamps and similar gummed labels.

The moistener conforming with the invention is sketched in the drawing accompanying the Provisional Specification.

The moistener has a little movable vulcanite cylinder fixed on axle 2. In the lateral side of socket pipe 5 of the body

there is an aperture 3 leading to the atmosphere and enclosed in this body there is inserted a mass of absorbent material 4 such as maritime sponge cotton or felt.

Into lower socket pipe 5 round its thick walls is screwed socket pipe 8 round its heavy walls containing tube 6 leading to the water and connected with rubber tube 7. Against tube 7 there is inserted press 9 connected on the outside to spring 10 and ending at the bottom in a little plate by means of which rubber tube 7 is pressed.

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In order to remove the water from the moistener it is necessary to disconnect socket-pipes 5 and 8 by unscrewing and pressing press 9.

Having now particularly described and ascertained the nature of my said invention and in what manner the same is to be performed, I declare that what I claim is:—

1. A moistener for envelopes, stamps and the like executed in the form of a pen-holder, comprising two socket-pipes, an upper one and a lower one, connected to each other by means of screwing, provided with a little movable cylinder set on an axle, fixed in the aperture of the

lower socket-pipe, near to which inside the lower socket-pipe is inserted a mass of absorbed material, such as maritime sponge, cotton or felt in contact with the movable little cylinder for the purpose of its moistening, it being characterised that it has press 9, the peg of which protrudes through the lateral aperture in the wall of the top socket-pipe 8, is connected outside to spring 10 and ends at the bottom in a small plate, by means of which pressure is applied to rubber tube 7, containing the water situated inside socket-pipe 8.

2. A moistening device constructed substantially as herein described with reference to the accompanying drawing.

Dated this 30th day of May, 1949.

MIECZYSLAW MACIEJEWSKI.

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